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Kentucky Recycling and Marketing Assistance

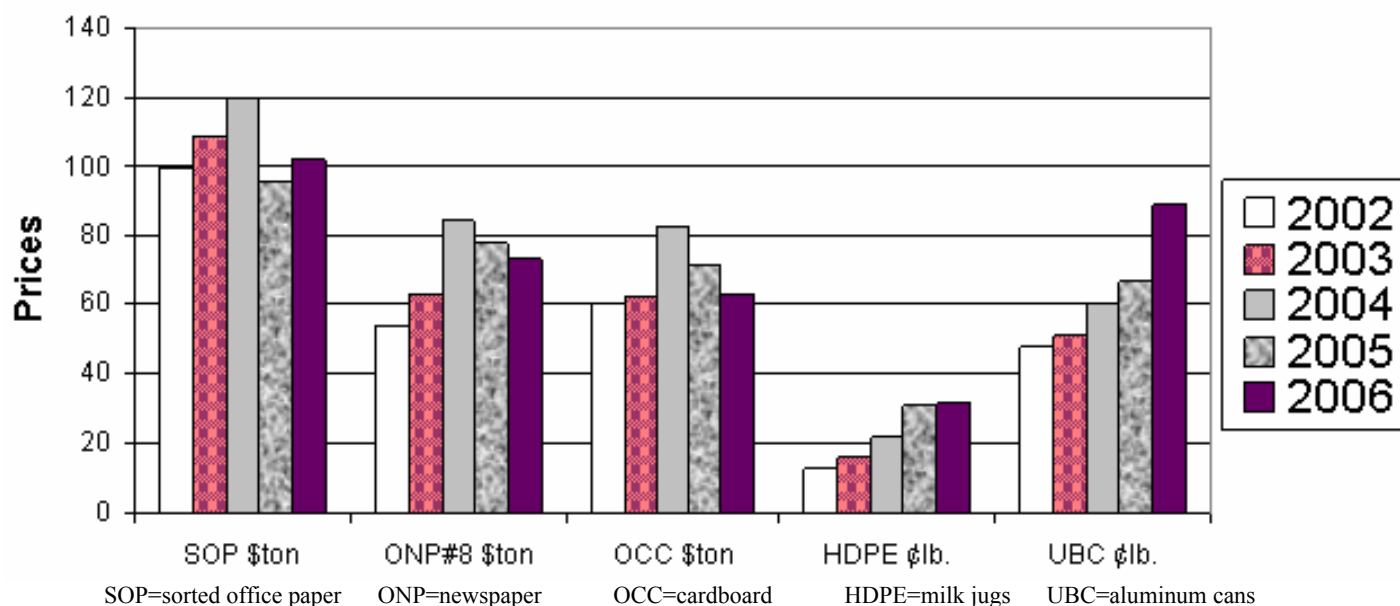
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COMPARISON OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

Aluminum, sorted office paper and HDPE gained value in 2006 over 2005. The other fibers noted in the graph below, cardboard and old newspaper, both declined in value from a high in 2004. Aluminum is the only commodity listed that has risen in value consistently since 2002, with a significant rise occurring in 2006. It hit an unheard of high of \$1.04 per pound in May 2006, for a tractor trailer load of baled aluminum cans.

Price Averages for Selected Commodities



HDPE hit a low of 0.08 cents per pound in the early months of 2002, only to gain steadily to a high of 40 cents per pound in January 2006, slipping to 25 cents in December 2006.

Commodity prices fluctuate often with the economic forces of supply, demand, consumer preferences, raw material costs, exports and other circumstances. Consistent collection of material during periods of low value will result in a reliable and stable program which will benefit when market values increase.

The yearly averages in the table above are based on prices quoted in The Marketplace. All prices are based on full tractor trailer load quantities of baled material.

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Paper	\$ per ton	<i>Board and Mill purchase prices, baled, FOB seller's dock. From Feb. 3, Official Board Markets Yellow Sheet, Chicago market.</i>	<u>Previous month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Mixed Paper	65-70		55-60	- 35-40
Sorted Office	135-145		125-135	80-90
Newsprint #6	60-65		55-60	45-50
Newsprint #8	85-90		80-85	65-70
Sorted White Ledger	225-235		215-225	180-190
Corrugated Containers	85-90		65-70	40-45
Plastics	<u>Cents per lb.</u>	<i>From market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Feb. 13. Baled, FOB seller's dock. Priced as loads available.</i>		
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET-soda bottles)	13	clear and green (mixed)	13	14
High Density Polyethylene (HDPE-milk jugs) #2	30	natural	30	39
Glass	<u>\$ per ton</u>	<i>From Feb. 9, Recycling Manager, national average for truckload quantities, semi-crushed and cleaned, delivered to end-user.</i>		
Clear	29		29	29
Amber	17		17	17
Green	8		8	9
Metals	<u>Cents per lb.</u>	<i>Aluminum from market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Feb. 13-14.</i>		
Aluminum Cans	92	densified, baled truckload, picked up	87	91
		<i>Steel from American Metal Market, Feb. 14, 2007. Delivered mill price; Chicago market quoted.</i>		
	<u>\$ per gross ton</u>			
Steel Cans	245	Clean, used densified cans	215	220